

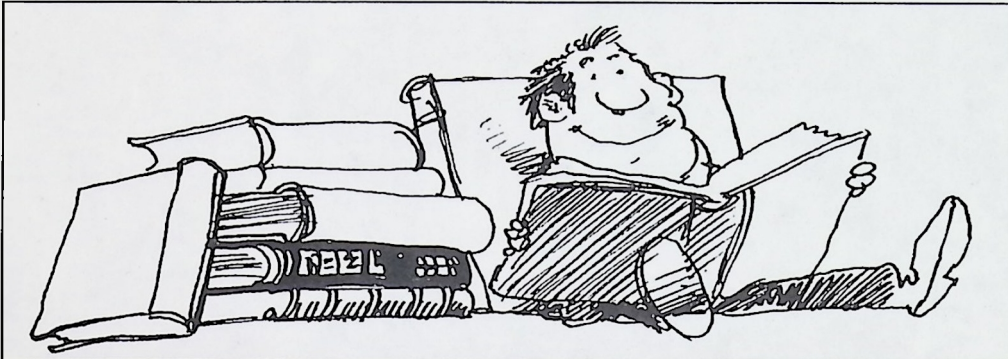
# A MATTER OF FACT

News from the Historical Society Bookshop

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## Historical Highlights Coming Soon



Another happy member reads his new edition of Edna May Hill's *Josephine County Highlights*, which is being reprinted by the Historical Society.

The Josephine County Historical Society is starting up their own presses, thanks to Bookshop Chair Marge Potter. They are currently re-printing the long out-of-print *Josephine County Historical Highlights, Vols. I & II*, by Edna May Hill. There will be a limited run, and the Society is offering a small number at a pre-sale price of \$25.00 for the set of two. After release, the price will be \$14.95 per volume.



The books are expected to be ready in early February 1999.

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## Sailors' Diggings first out in new publishing effort

This delightful history of one of Josephine County's earliest mining areas was written by Willard and Elsie Street, and



has been a popular choice among readers of local history for many years.

The newly reprinted version is on the shelves at the Society for only \$6.95, and it can be shipped for only \$2.00 extra.

Is there something you'd like to see reprinted? Let Marge know - it could be next!



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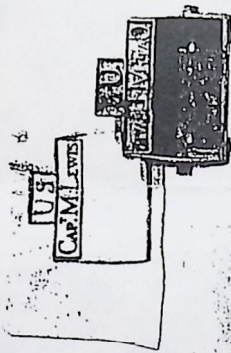
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On the cover: 19th century Haida bentwood box  
Silver christening cup of the Battleship Oregon, 1898

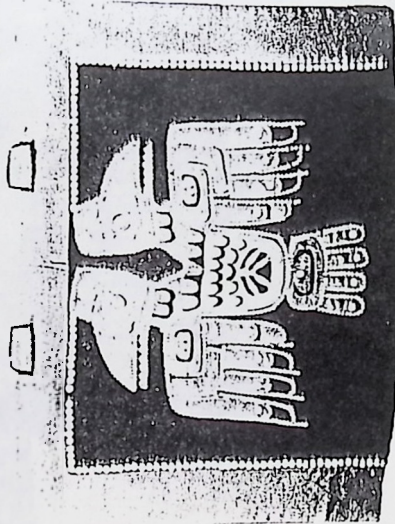


Detail from a quilt by "Grandma Stone"

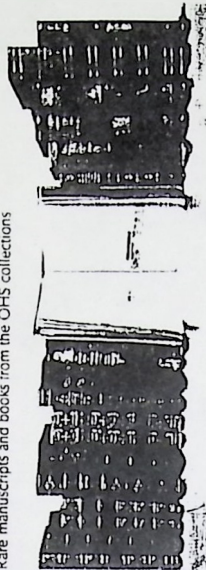
Meriwether Lewis' branding iron



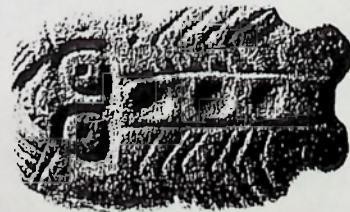
19th century Native American button blanket ceremonial robe



Rare manuscripts and books from the OHS collections



Cantonware used on board the *Columbia Rediviva* by Captain Robert Gray in 1792



Owl, stone sculpture of the mid-Columbia region, from Sauvie Island

Jefferson Peace Medal, carried by Lewis and Clark on their expedition



In celebration of its 125th anniversary of collecting and preserving Oregon's history, the Oregon Historical Society will share its extraordinary collections with all Oregonians through a stunning, new traveling exhibition.

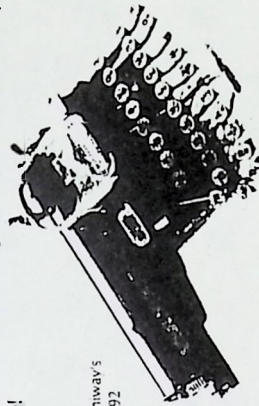
Housed within an enormous trailer, this "Museum on wheels" will be unveiled in early 1999 and bring the richness of the Oregon story to communities, small and large, across the state during its twelve-month travel schedule. Admission to the exhibition will be free.

Drawn from the Society's vast and priceless collections of objects and artifacts, photographs and film, manuscripts, maps, paintings, and books, the dramatic exhibition promises to enlighten and delight citizens of all ages!

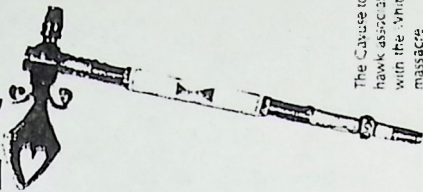
# THE TREASURES OF OREGON

In addition to those pictured, among the many other treasures to be displayed are: 12,000-year-old Fort Rock sandal • Ancient Columbia River petroglyphs • 19th century Native American dance aprons • Captain Robert Gray's sea chest • Objects and pioneer diaries from the Oregon Trail • Paintings by Oregon artists J. E. Stuart, Cleveland Rockwell and Eliza Barchus • The Lapwai Mission press, ca. 1839 • Strongbox used by Dr. John McLoughlin at Fort Vancouver and Oregon City • Narcissa Whitman's lap desk • Concertina brought across the Oregon Trail by Rev. John Spencer • Joseph Drayton's watercolor paintings from the 1841 Wilkes expedition • ... and **much more!**

Abigail Scott Duniway's typewriter, ca. 1892



The Coyote hawk associated with the Whitman massacre



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